

City of Santa Barbara PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL Regular Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to Order 6:05pm

ROLL CALL

Aldana, Sebastian Barrios, Jacqueline Foxen, Sally Heaton, Brittany Lafond, Susan Longstreet, Beebe O'Mahoney, May Sanchez, Hector Sanford, Eve Soto, Ana Qadri, Rehman

Staff Present

Recreation Manager Judith McCaffrey Administrative Specialist Jessica Martinez

Liaisons Present

Jacob Lesner-Buxton - Parks and Recreation Commission SBPD Lt. Dan McGrew

Advisory Council Members Absent

Lydon, Stacey

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Pete Dal Bello - Concerns regarding Medical Marijuana Dispensary
Judy Hawkins – Westside resident/Euclid Neighborhood group with questions about personnel changes and City infrastructure

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Recreation Manager Judith McCaffrey

- In response to Public Comment: Westside Neighborhood Center point of contact is currently Jessica Martinez.
- Will be hiring a new Facility Coordinator and moving a supervisor to the Center very soon. Neighbors will be notified of new contact.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Subject: Approval of the Minutes – For Action (Attachment)

Recommendation: That the Neighborhood Advisory Council waive the reading and approve the minutes for the regular meeting of July 12th, 2017.

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Foxen and Lafond respectively, to approve the minutes. Members Aldana, Barrios, Foxen, Heaton, Lafond, O'Mahoney, Sanford, and Qadri. Members Longstreet, Sanchez, and Soto abstained. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Subject: Water Quality Code Enforcement Program Update – For Information (Attachment)

Recommendation: That the Neighborhood Advisory Council receive a status report on the Fiscal Year 2017 Storm Water/Urban Runoff Pollution Prevention and Enforcement Program and the related creek clean-ups. The presentation by Chris Clark - Code Enforcement Officer included the following information:

- Overall objective of the Storm Water/Urban Runoff Pollution Prevention and Enforcement Program (Program) is to identify and eliminate sources of water pollution to the City's streets, storm drains, creeks, and ocean. In addition, the Program ensures pollution is cleaned-up and items illegally dumped in the creek are removed.
- Creeks Division enforces the Santa Barbara Municipal Code Chapter 16.15
 Urban Pollution Controls: Non-Point Source Discharge Restrictions which
 prohibits discharges of polluted water to the City's storm drain system,
 creeks, and ocean.
- Illicit Discharge Enforcement Process
 - Illicit discharges, non-storm water discharges of water pollution, are detected and reported
 - Creeks Division staff investigate to assess whether the discharge is a violation of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code (SBMC).
 - Creeks Division staff attempt to contact the responsible party and/or responsible City Department to stop the discharge, contain it, and clean it up.
- Creek Clean-ups
 - City staff rely on reports to identify creek locations with illegally dumped items (including encampment locations).
- Encampment Clean-up
 - Occupied encampments must be posted with a 48 hour evacuation notice before they are cleaned-up.

Clean-up Data

- Current clean-up contractor charges \$95 per creek or beach "site" cleaned. This is down from \$102 per site from the previous contractor.
- FY 2017, 100% of cleanups were performed within 48 hours of work order.
- A total of 84,502 lbs. of trash were removed from creeks and beaches.

2. Subject: Neighborhood Updates – For Information Only

Recommendation: That each NAC member take up to three minutes for updating the public on specific neighborhood related issues or events impacting their neighborhood or the community in general.

NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES

Beebe Longstreet - Public-at-Large

- Attended a subcommittee meeting for local coastal committee plan update local coastal plan has been updated and will be ready for public Oct 28.
- September 21st City College Neighborhood Task Force Meeting.
- Lower Westside hit heavily by microburst, one injury, loss of power.
- Students are back at school and parking is bad.

Hector Sanchez - Public-at Large

Has been really quiet in neighborhood – increased police presence.

Eve Sanford- Public-at-Large

- Neighborhood has been guieter.
- Castillo underpass is open it is nice to access the beach from the Westside.

May O'Mahoney- West Downtown Neighborhood

- Neighborhood has been really guiet.
- Euclid community group has not been very active because no issues have been brought to them.
- Neighborhood watch still active but on an as-needed basis.

Rehman Qadri- Public-at Large

- Neighborhood has been pretty quiet.
- Lives on Victoria and Chino no stops signs on that intersection, a lot of blind spots, dangerous because people often speed and there are a lot of children due to the number of daycares.
- Has used Marborg pickups allow for 2 pickups a year.

Ana Soto - Public-at Large

- Has seen increased police activity possibly since school has started.
 - Has seen increased dumping at the Franklin Center. A neighbor alerted FNC staff, called police when dumping continued.
- Has seen increased vigilance around crosswalks??
- New Trader Joes location next to PetSmart brings increased traffic to Milpas and Alisos Streets.

Susan Lafond- Public-at-Large

- With school back in session, neighborhood is busier.
- Has noticed more police activities when incidents happen.
- Has noticed firecrackers going off at 3am in the neighborhood.

Jacqueline Barrios- Public-at Large

- Mesa Neighborhood Cliff drive is a mess, people speed down that street
 - No crosswalk or zebra lights on Cliff drive it is dangerous to cross.
 - Mesa Association & Mesa Architects are fundraising for crosswalks.
- City College is back in session causes a lot of parking issues.
- A lot of streets in the area have changed to permit parking.
- Sobriety House opened on 200 Block of Salina del Sol near Washington elementary. There have been increased calls for police and increased noise.

Sally Foxen- Lower Westside Neighborhood

- Continue to have illegal yard sales on Saturdays and Sundays on San Pascual and De La Guerra Streets selling clothes and other goods.
- Castillo underpass is open less traffic on Carrillo Street now.
- Demolition at Santa Barbara High School stadium is scheduled for Monday 9/18.

Sebastian Aldana- Eastside Neighborhood

- During December 2016 meeting at Ortega Building, Public Works said LED lighting complete on all of Eastside. From Alameda Padre Sierra to Milpas – 10 lights on Gutierrez not LED?
- Attended Public Hearing for 118 Milpas street re: Medical Marijuana dispensary. Edible foods were proposed under the California Homemade Food Act but Cannabis is not on the list for that Act. 4 homes on the Eastside have proposed to make Cannabis Edibles.
- Mayoral candidates will be speaking at the Victoria Theatre on housing issues. Date is September 14th 4pm-6pm

Brittany Heaton- West Downtown Neighborhood

- Kids World officially closed for reconstruction. Many people use it and upgrades are necessary.
- Is on another committee that received a presentation on 'Vision Zero'.
 Vision Zero is a plan for ending deaths related to transportation. N.A.C. could consider requesting this presentation.

- Invested in this community and making the area a better place to be.
- Friend's purse was stolen within 10 minutes of arriving at a restaurant on State St. this sort of thing has been happening a lot.

Upcoming Agenda Items

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding will be receiving presentations and recommendations in October and November.
- Goal-setting for moving the council forward Retreat or discussion at regular meeting.
- Chair & Co-Chair election in October.

ADJOURNMENT 7:18pm

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Next regular meeting: Franklin Neighborhood Center

Wednesday, October 11, 2017, 6:00 p.m.